

Survey of Political Views, January, 2010

Q1. We believe a variety of events have happened in Japanese politics during your life. Please name the one event that left the strongest impression on you (please be specific).

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Q2. When you hear the words "election" and "voting," what do you remember as your own experience? Please describe the specifics of your experience, including details about the time and place.

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Q3. Please recall the previous House of Representatives election held in August 2009. For which party's candidate did you vote in the single-member constituency election?

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| 1. LDP | 7. Other () |
| 2. DPJ | 8. Independents |
| 3. CGP | 9. Forgotten |
| 4. SDP | 10. I abstained |
| 5. JCP | |
| 6. People's New Party | |

Q4. For which party's candidate did you vote in the proportional-representation election?

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| 1. LDP | 7. Other () |
| 2. DPJ | 8. Forgotten |
| 3. CGP | 9. I abstained |
| 4. SDP | |
| 5. JCP | |
| 6. People's New Party | |

Q5. Currently, members of the House of Representatives are elected in an electoral system combining the single-member district with proportional representation, hereinafter "*heiritsusei*." What is your opinion about the following views?

- (1) Most people understand *heiritsusei*.
- (2) The quality of members of the House of Representatives has been enhanced by *heiritsusei* in comparison to that of the House of Representatives with elections in the multi-member district system.
- (3) The amount of money spent in elections has decreased since the adoption of *heiritsusei*.
- (4) *Heiritsusei* is a fair system for all eligible voters.
- (5) *Heiritsusei* is a system in which the best qualified Diet members can be elected.
- (6) *Heiritsusei* has prompted policy debates at the time of elections.
- (7) *Heiritsusei* has eliminated the problem of politics and money.
- (8) *Heiritsusei* has stabilized politics.
- (9) *Heiritsusei* has allowed the will of voters to be more reflected.
- (10) *Heiritsusei* has boosted my desire to participate in the politics.

1. Strongly agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Do not agree 4. Do not agree at all

Q6. Which one of the following best describes your view on the current electoral system for the House of Representatives?

1. Keep the current electoral system combining single-member district with proportional representation.
2. Readopt the multi-member district system.
3. Adopt only the proportional representation system.
4. Adopt only the single-member district system.
5. Adopt other electoral system (Be specific: _____).
6. Don't know.

[To respondents whose answer was 1~8 in Q7]

Q7. The next election for the House of Councilors is coming up in summer 2010. Let us suppose that today is election day. Which one of the following parties do you think you will vote for with respect to candidates running for prefectural district? Please assume that all of the following parties have candidates.

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Other (_____)
8. Independent
9. Will abstain from voting (proceed to Q8)
10. Undecided (proceed to Q8)

SQ. When you vote, how do you think you will decide which party and candidate to vote for?

1. I will review as widely as possible the policies and achievements of each party and candidate, and vote for the most desirable party and candidate.
2. I will vote for a party and candidate I support the most because of the one or two policies which are important for me.
3. I will vote for a candidate who belongs to a party which I hope will increase its seats.
4. I will again vote for the party and the candidate I have supported.
5. I will vote for a party and candidate I intuitively feel is the best.
6. I will vote for a party and candidate recommended by my family, acquaintances, and friends.
7. Other (be specific _____)

[For all respondents]

Q8. So, which one of the following parties (or parties' candidates) do you think you will vote for with respect to proportional representation election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Other (_____)
8. Will abstain from voting (proceed to Q9)
9. Undecided (proceed to Q9)

[To respondents whose answer was 1~7 in Q8]

SQ. When you vote, how do you think you will decide which party and candidate to vote for?

1. I will review as widely as possible the policies and achievements of each party and candidate, and vote for the most desirable party and candidate.
2. I will vote for a party and candidate I support the most because of the one or two policies which are important for me.
3. I will vote for a party (or a candidate who belongs to the party) which I hope will increase its seats.
4. I will again vote for the party and the candidate I have supported.
5. I will vote for a party and candidate I intuitively feel is the best.
6. I will vote for a party and candidate recommended by my family, acquaintances, and friends.
7. Other (be specific _____)

[For all respondents]

Q9. What kind of results would you like to see for the following parties in the upcoming House of Councilors election this summer?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Your Party

- 1. Will have more seats 2. Maintain status quo 3. Will have fewer seats**
4. I have no preference

Q10. What are your feelings toward people and political parties that are politically influential? Please express your likes and dislikes in terms of temperature. If you feel completely neutral about the person or the political party on the list, indicate this neutral feeling by giving them a rating of 50 °c. If you like the person or political party listed, rate them between 50°c to 100°c depending on how positive you feel. Conversely, if you dislike the person or party, rate them 0°c to 50 °c depending on how much you dislike them.

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| (1) Teiichi Tanigaki | ()degrees |
| (2) Yukio Hatoyama | ()degrees |
| (3) Natsuo Yamaguchi | ()degrees |
| (4) Mizuho Fukushima | ()degrees |
| (5) Kazuo Shii | ()degrees |
| (6) Shizuka Kamei | ()degrees |
| (7) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) | ()degrees |
| (8) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) | ()degrees |
| (9)Clean Government Party (CGP) | ()degrees |
| (10)Social Democratic Party (SDP) | ()degrees |
| (11)Japan Communist Party (JCP) | ()degrees |
| (12)People's New Party | ()degrees |

Q11. How do you appreciate the actions of the coalition government led by the DPJ since September 2009?

- (1) Overall achievement
- (2) Financial policies such as restoration of fiscal health
- (3) Diplomacy concerning the U.S.-Japan relationship
- (4) Diplomacy concerning Japan's relationship with other Asian nations

- (5) Security policies such as the defense issue
- (6) Economic policies such as economic pump-priming measures
- (7) Employment policies such as boosting employment
- (8) Social security policies such as the pension issue
- (9) Medical policies such as healthcare for the elderly and restoring emergency medical care
- (10) Welfare policies such as support for low-income individuals and single-mother households
- (11) Countermeasures for the falling birthrate such as support for child raising
- (12) Consumer protection such as food safety measures and fraud prevention
- (13) Environmental policies such as assistance for pollution victims and countermeasures toward global warming
- (14) Education policies such as countermeasures for bullying and school refusal
- (15) National development such as roads and airport improvements
- (16) Agricultural, forestry, and fishery policies such as promotion of agriculture
- (17) Local self-government policies such as decentralization of authority
- (18) Postal policies such as the postal services
- (19) Legal policies such as the citizen-judge system
- (20) Public safety measures such as crime prevention

1. Appreciate 2. Somewhat appreciate 3. Not appreciate much 4. Not appreciate at all

Q12. How do you appreciate the actions of the LDP government or the coalition government led by the LDP before September 2009?

- (1) Overall achievement
- (2) Financial policies such as restoration of fiscal health
- (3) Diplomacy concerning the U.S.-Japan relationship
- (4) Diplomacy concerning Japan's relationship with other Asian nations
- (5) Security policies such as the defense issue
- (6) Economic policies such as economic pump-priming measures
- (7) Employment policies such as boosting employment
- (8) Social security policies such as the pension issue
- (9) Medical policies such as healthcare for the elderly and restoring emergency medical care
- (10) Welfare policies such as support for low-income individuals and single-mother households
- (11) Countermeasures for the falling birthrate such as support for child raising
- (12) Consumer protection such as food safety measures and fraud prevention
- (13) Environmental policies such as assistance for pollution victims and countermeasures toward global warming
- (14) Education policies such as countermeasures for bullying and school refusal
- (15) National development such as roads and airport improvements
- (16) Agricultural, forestry, and fishery policies such as promotion of agriculture
- (17) Local self-government policies such as decentralization of authority
- (18) Postal policies such as the postal services
- (19) Legal policies such as the citizen-judge system
- (20) Public safety measures such as crime prevention

1. Appreciate 2. Somewhat appreciate 3. Not appreciate much 4. Not appreciate at all

Q13. How do you appreciate your prefectural governor's performance?

- (1) Enhancement of welfare such as medical service and elderly care
- (2) Protection of natural, living environment
- (3) Crime prevention and maintenance of social order

- (4) Education issues (bullying, truancy, education putting too much emphasis on exam results, low academic performance)
- (5) Economic pump-priming and employment measures
- (6) Countermeasures to the falling birthrate
- (7) Support for small- and medium-sized enterprises
- (8) Administrative and fiscal reform

1. Appreciate 2. Somewhat appreciate 3. Can't decide
4. Not appreciate much 5. Not appreciate at all

Q14. How satisfied are you with the governor's performance?

- (1) Enhancement of welfare such as medical service and elderly care
- (2) Protection of natural, living environment
- (3) Crime prevention and maintenance of social order
- (4) Education issues (bullying, truancy, education putting too much emphasis on exam results, low academic performance)
- (5) Economic pump-priming and employment measures
- (6) Countermeasures to the falling birthrate
- (7) Support for small- and medium-sized enterprises
- (8) Administrative and fiscal reform

1. Very satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
4. Somewhat dissatisfied 5. Very dissatisfied

Q15. How do you appreciate your prefectural assembly's performance?

- (1) Enhancement of welfare such as medical service and elderly care
- (2) Protection of natural, living environment
- (3) Crime prevention and maintenance of social order
- (4) Education issues (bullying, truancy, education putting too much emphasis on exam results, low academic performance)
- (5) Economic pump-priming and employment measures
- (6) Countermeasures to the falling birthrate
- (7) Support for small- and medium-sized enterprises
- (8) Administrative and fiscal reform

1. Appreciate 2. Somewhat appreciate 3. Can't decide
4. Not appreciate much 5. Not appreciate at all

Q16. How satisfied are you with the assembly's performance?

- (1) Enhancement of welfare such as medical service and elderly care
- (2) Protection of natural, living environment
- (3) Crime prevention and maintenance of social order
- (4) Education issues (bullying, truancy, education putting too much emphasis on exam results, low academic performance)
- (5) Economic pump-priming and employment measures
- (6) Countermeasures to the falling birthrate
- (7) Support for small- and medium-sized enterprises
- (8) Administrative and fiscal reform

1. Very satisfied
2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
4. Somewhat dissatisfied
5. Very dissatisfied

Q17. How close do you feel to the prefecture you live in?

1. I feel close to my prefecture.
2. I feel somewhat close to my prefecture.
3. Neither close or distant
4. I feel somewhat distant from my prefecture.
5. I feel distant from my prefecture.

Q18. Then, how much impact do the policies of your residential prefectural government have on your life?

1. The policies have much impact.
2. The policies have some impact.
3. Neither impacting nor not impacting.
4. The policies have little impact.
5. The policies have no impact.

Q19. Which of the following answers best describes the roles you expect for members of the prefectural assembly in your residential prefecture? Choose up to three answers.

1. Policy making
2. Review policies to decide policies
3. Monitor and criticize administrative actions
4. Being care takers and consultants to residents
5. Being intermediary for budget allocation for districts and organizations
6. Presenting major prefectural issues to residents and enlightening the residents
7. Communicating information concerning prefectural administration to residents

Q20. Then, which of the following do you think take up a large proportion of activities of the members of the prefectural assembly in your residential prefecture? Choose up to three answers.

1. Policy making
2. Review and decide policies
3. Monitor and criticize administrative actions
4. Being care takers and consultants to residents
5. Being intermediary for budget allocation for districts and organizations
6. Presenting major prefectural issues to residents and enlightening the residents
7. Communicating information concerning prefectural administration to residents

Q21. Which one of the following two do you think is most suitable for members of the prefectural assembly to represent the interests of voters?

- A. They would rather pay attention to residents' requests and place an emphasis on materializing the requests.
- B. They would be confident about their decisions concerning residents' interests, and they would rely on such decisions.

Q22. How much trust do you place on the institutions listed?

1. The prime minister
2. Bureaucrats of central government
3. Member of the Diet
4. Prefectural governor

- (3) Trade association
- (4) Farm organization
- (5) Labor union
- (6) Consumers' corporative
- (7) Volunteer organization
- (8) Residential movement group
- (9) Citizens' movement group
- (10) Religious group
- (11) Alumni association
- (12) Koenkai (Candidate support organization)

1. I am a member. 2. I am not a member.

Q26. How actively do you participate in the activities of following groups?

- (1) Jichi-kai/Residential association
- (2) PTA
- (3) Trade association
- (4) Farm organization
- (5) Labor union
- (6) Consumers' corporative
- (7) Volunteer organization
- (8) Residential movement group
- (9) Citizens' movement group
- (10) Religious group
- (11) Alumni association
- (12) Koenkai (Candidate support organization)

1. **Active** 2. **Somewhat active** 3. **Neither active nor inactive**
 4. **Somewhat inactive** 5. **Inactive**

Q27. Have you ever participated in a debate in an attempt to talk/think about/solve any of the following issues?

- (1) Local issues
- (2) Education issues
- (3) Welfare issues
- (4) Consumer issues
- (5) Environmental issues

1. **A couple of times** 2. **Once or twice**
 3. **Never, would like to participate** 4. **Never, would not like to participate**

Q28. To what extent do you do the following?

- (1) Turn off lights frequently
- (2) Use public transportation whenever possible (bus, train, etc.)
- (3) Bring your own bags shopping
- (4) Repair and continue to use failed equipment
- (5) Buy recycled products (toilet tissue, notebooks, etc.)
- (6) Buy pesticide-free and organic vegetables

1. **Often** 2. **Sometimes** 3. **Not too often** 4. **Hardly**

Q29. Concerning your views on how politics and society should be, would you have a hard time conversing with the following people about politics if you had differing opinions? Even if the person listed does not actually exist, please answer how you imagine you would feel.

- (1) Family
- (2) Boss or superior
- (3) Colleagues you are close to
- (4) Close friends

- 1. Could converse even with a differing opinion
- 2. If I had to choose, I would say that I could converse even with a differing opinion.
- 3. If I had to choose, I would say that it would be hard to converse with a differing opinion.
- 4. It would be hard to converse with a differing opinion.

Q30. How often do you talk about politics with following people?

- (1) Spouse
- (2) Another immediate family member
- (3) A relative
- (4) A coworker
- (5) A neighbor
- (6) A friend
- (7) Other; be specific ()

- 1. Often
- 2. Sometimes
- 3. Seldom
- 4. Never
- 5. Not applicable

Q31. Do you think that you and the people mentioned above are similar in the views about politics?

- (1) Spouse
- (2) Another immediate family member
- (3) A relative
- (4) A coworker
- (5) A neighbor
- (6) A friend
- (7) Other; be specific ()

- 1. Similar
- 2. Somewhat similar
- 3. Not so similar
- 4. Not similar at all
- 5. Not applicable

Q32. When you want to know about politics and social issues, which sources do you rely upon? Choose all that apply. (M.A.)

- 1. Family members
- 2. Friends and acquaintances
- 3. Newspapers
- 4. Television
- 5. Radio
- 6. Internet
- 7. Publications such as books and magazines
- 8. Other; be specific ()
- 9. None

Q33. Putting elections aside, which political party in Japan do you usually support?

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
3. Clean Government Party (CGP) (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP) (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP) (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
6. People's New Party (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
7. Other () (proceed to Q33-SQ1)
8. No such party (proceed to Q33-SQ2)

[To respondents whose answer was 1~7 in Q33]

Q33-SQ1. How strongly do you support this party: enthusiastically or not so enthusiastically?

1. Enthusiastically (proceed Q34)
2. Not so enthusiastically (proceed Q34)

[To respondents whose answer was 8 in Q33]

Q33-SQ2. If you are to name one party that you favor the most, which do you choose?

1. LDP (proceed Q34)
2. DPJ (proceed Q34)
3. CGP (proceed Q34)
4. SDP (proceed Q34)
5. JCP (proceed Q34)
6. People's New Party (proceed Q34)
7. Other () (proceed Q34)
8. No such party (proceed Q34)

[For all respondents]

Q34. Which political parties do you think have the ability to be in charge of the government?

Choose as many parties as you like from the list. (M. A.)

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Other ()

Q35. Which one of the following do you think is desirable as the Japanese party system?

1. A predominant-party system in which a single party stably stays in power
2. A two-party system
3. A multi-party system with more than three major parties
4. Other; be specific ()

Q36. Which political parties do you think regard the interests of following groups very important?

Choose as many parties as you like from the list. (M.A.)

- (1) Big business
- (2) Regular employees of big businesses
- (3) Smaller business
- (4) Regular employees of smaller businesses
- (5) Contract, dispatched, and part-time workers
- (6) Agricultural, forestry, and fishery workers
- (7) Public service personnel
- (8) Housewives

Q40. Do you agree or disagree with the opinions expressed in items 1 to 4 listed below?

- (1) The government should do more to solve social and economic problems.
- (2) The government should have more authority to control the society and the economy.
- (3) Freer competition should be allowed in education and the economy.
- (4) Rules on social life and daily conduct should be more rigidly and thoroughly applied.

**1. Agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Somewhat disagree 5. Disagree**

Q41. Modern Japanese society consists of people from various different backgrounds. Please express your thoughts on the following perspectives

- (1) We should be more tolerant of people who choose different value standards from our own.
- (2) When anti-democratic organizations request the use of public halls (facilities in general) for their rallies, the city hall must give permission, so long as they meet other requirements set by the rule.
- (3) The number of foreign immigrants permitted to live in Japan should be decreased.
- (4) Anti-democratic organizations should be made illegal.

1. Agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Somewhat disagree 4. Disagree

Q42. Do you agree or disagree with the following two opinions?

- (1) Economic growth should take precedence over protection of the environment.
- (2) I don't mind inconvenience in life if that helps prevent further deterioration of the environment.

1. Agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Somewhat disagree 4. Disagree

Q43. How satisfied are you with the following?

- (1) Present political situation in Japan
- (2) Present economic situation in Japan
- (3) Present Japanese society as a whole
- (4) Present situation of your life

**1. Very satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
4. Somewhat dissatisfied 5. Very dissatisfied**

Q44. There are two opinions (A and B) regarding our way of life. Which reflects your opinion best?

- A: Being averse to running a risk of a big failure, I would like to advance step by step.
B: If there is a good chance to success, I would like to challenge courageously to seek my fortune.

1. Agree with A 2. Somewhat agree with A 3. Somewhat agree with B 4. Agree with B

Q45. If you had free-flowing funds at hand, how would you use it? A or B?

- A: Even if the interest is low, I would try to find the surest and safest way to make savings.
B: Rather than thinking about "safety", I would much rather take an option that yields high returns.

1. Agree with A 2. Somewhat agree with A 3. Somewhat agree with B 4. Agree with B

Q46. How you feel about the following statements? Choose the response that best reflects your

opinion on each issue.

- (1) Most people are trustworthy
- (2) Most people will respond kindly when they are trusted by others.

1. Agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Somewhat disagree 4. Disagree

Q47. How often are you conscious of the following?

- (1) A society exists on cooperation by people of various ability and personality.
- (2) Many of the social events have some effects upon us after all.
- (3) Many of the social events have a great influence on our lives.
- (4) Most of the social phenomena have some relationships with us.
- (5) Social events that we watch in the TV news are deeply related to our own lives.
- (6) Each of us should have social awareness to keep our society sound.
- (7) People must actively seek to work on the society by themselves.
- (8) Not only trying to enrich our own lives, we should be interested in the social goals.

1. Often 2. Sometimes 3. Seldom 4. Never

Q48: What do you think about the following opinions?

- (1) I hesitate to express my opinion if I feel that people around me would disagree with it.
- (2) I often do not say what I really think even if I feel that the opinions of people around me are wrong.
- (3) When my opinion differs from that of other people, I tend to agree with the others rather than have an argument.
- (4) It is not hard for me to express my opinions even if I know that people around me would disagree with me.
- (5) I would feel uncomfortable when I know my opinion differs from that of a person who asks me for an opinion.
- (6) I try not to express my true opinion except in front of friends and others I trust.
- (7) It is safe not to publicly express your opinion when you know that your opinion differs from that of the majority.
- (8) I don't think it is a problem to express one's opinion even when it differs from the opinion of others.

1. Agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Somewhat disagree 4. Disagree

Q49. To what extent do the following apply to your daily interaction with others?

- (1) When somebody helps you, you will help others, too.
- (2) When somebody does kind things for you, you will be kind to others, too.
- (3) Even if you cannot expect direct gratitude or returns, you will be kind to people.
- (4) You think good things will go around and return to you if you are kind to people.
- (5) Even if you cannot expect direct gratitude or returns, you feel that you will benefit after all by being kind to people.
- (6) When you see people helping each other, you, too, will want to help people in difficulties.
- (7) Whether or not you have been helped by others, you will help people in difficult situations.
- (8) You expect that people you helped will help others.

1. Apply 2. Apply to some extent 3. Do not apply so much 4. Do not apply at all

Q50. Do you have any acquaintance who fit descriptions in (1)-(23)? An acquaintance is someone whom you know enough as to have conversation with.

- (1) Official of neighborhood association/Self-governing body
- (2) Official of volunteer group/Civic movement group
- (3) Official of trade association
- (4) Official of labor union
- (5) Executive above director in municipal office
- (6) Executive above director in prefectural office
- (7) Executive above director in government departments
- (8) Mayor/village chief
- (9) Member of local assembly
- (10) Member of national assembly
- (11) Manager of support group for politicians (Koenkai)(Including secretary of assembly members)
- (12) Reporter, director, or editor of media such as Newspaper and TV
- (13) Computer programmer and IT engineer
- (14) Owner of retail stores
- (15) Waiter or waitress
- (16) Guard/ Janitor
- (17) Elementary school faculty
- (18) Policeman
- (19) Postman
- (20) Judge/ Lawyer
- (21) Doctor
- (22) Nurse
- (23) President of large scale cooperation (more than several hundred employees)

1. Have acquaintance 2. Don't have acquaintance

Q51. So, do you have any acquaintance who fit descriptions in (1)-(15)?

- (1) People in their twenties and under
- (2) People in their thirties
- (3) People in their forties
- (4) People in their fifties
- (5) People in their sixties and up
- (6) Foreigners from Asian countries
- (7) Westerners
- (8) Handicapped
- (9) Single mother/single father
- (10) Gay or lesbian
- (11) Farmers
- (12) Cooks, chefs, Japanese cuisine chefs, patissier
- (13) Barbers, hair dressers
- (14) Carpenters, plasterer, scaffolding workers
- (15) Accountants, accounting assistants

1. Have acquaintance 2. Don't have acquaintance

Q52. Supposing that the present Japanese society as a whole were divided into five strata, which

stratum would you categorize yourself in?

1. Upper stratum
2. Upper middle stratum
3. Lower middle stratum
4. Upper lower stratum
5. Lower stratum

Q53. Do you think the Hatoyama cabinet is handling the following issues well?

- (1) Execution of policies promised in the Manifest
- (2) Transformation from bureaucratic initiative to political initiative
- (3) Unifying stance among the parties participating in the coalition government and among cabinet members
- (4) Communication between the cabinet and the ruling party
- (5) Effective response to criticisms from opposition parties
- (6) Leadership of Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama

**1. Handling well 2. Somewhat handling well 3. Cannot say at the present
4. Somewhat not handling well 5. Not handling well at all 6. Do not know**

Q54. Do you think that the following members of the Hatoyama cabinet are handling their jobs well? If there has been a change in the cabinet member(s), give us your rating of the following cabinet members when they were in office.

- (1) Prime Minister: Yukio Hatoyama
- (2) Deputy Prime Minister, and Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for National Strategy (Economic and Fiscal Policy/Science and Technology Policy): Naoto Kan
- (3) Minister for Internal Affairs and Communication, and Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for Promotion of Local Sovereignty: Kazuhiro Haraguchi
- (4) Minister of Justice: Keiko Chiba
- (5) Minister of Foreign Affairs: Katsuya Okada
- (6) Minister of Finance Japan: Hirohisa Fujii
- (7) Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology: Tatsuo Kawabata
- (8) Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare in charge of Pension Reform: Akira Nagatsuma
- (9) Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries: Hirotaka Akamatsu
- (10) Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry: Masayuki Naoshima
- (11) Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for Okinawa and Northern Territories Affairs and Disaster Prevention: Seiji Maehara
- (12) Minister of the Environment: Sakihito Ozawa
- (13) Minister of Defense: Toshimi Kitazawa
- (14) Chief Cabinet Secretary: Hirofumi Hirano
- (15) Chairman of the National Public Safety Commission and Minister in charge of Japanese Abductees: Hiroshi Nakai
- (16) Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for Financial and Postal Services: Shizuka Kamei
- (17) Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for Consumer Affairs, Food Safety, Countermeasures to the Falling Birth Rate, and Gender Equality and Social Affairs: Mizuho Fukushima
- (18) Minister of State appointed by the Cabinet Office for Administrative Reform and Public Servant System Reform: Yoshito Sengoku

[Face sheet]

F1. Gender

1. Male
2. Female

F2. Age: What is the day, month and year of your birth? How old are you?

1. Meiji
 2. Taisho
 3. Showa
 4. Heisei
- (circle one) Day: _____ Month: _____ Year: _____
- Age ()

F3. Place of Residence: Have you lived in your present location (or within 30 minutes by foot from your present location) all your life, or moved from other place?

1. All my life (proceed to F4)
2. Moved from other place (proceed to F3(1))

F3(1). So, how long have you lived in your present location (or within 30 minutes by foot from your present location)?

1. 3 years or less
2. 4 to 9 years
3. 10 to 14 years
4. 15 years or more

[For all respondents]

F4. Education: What is your highest level of education?

1. Primary or lower-secondary school (junior high school)
2. High school
3. Junior college and trade school
4. University and graduate school

F5. Employment Information:

(1) What is your current employment status?

1. Employed (proceed to F5(2))
2. Self-employed (proceed to F5(2))
3. Work in a family business (proceed to F5(2))
4. Student (proceed to F6)
5. Housewife (proceed to F6)
6. Unemployed (proceed to F6)
7. Other () (proceed to F6)

[To respondents whose answer was 1~3 in F5(1)]

(2) Number of people at your workplace: Including the various branches and business offices, how many people in total work at the company/store in which you are employed? If you are a civil-employee, please answer “6”, “Civil Servant”.

1. 1-4 people
2. 5-29 people
3. 30-299 people
4. 300-999 people
5. Over 1,000 people
6. Civil Servant

(3) Which one of the following best describes your field of occupation?

1. Agriculture, forestry, and fishery
2. Mining
3. Construction
4. Manufacturing
5. Electricity, gas, water
6. Transportation and telecommunication
7. Wholesale, retail, and restaurant
8. Finance and insurance
9. Real estate
10. Service
11. Public servant
12. Other; be specific ()

(4) What kind of things do you usually do at work?

1. Farm, forest or fishery worker
2. Commercial / industrial service
3. Free-lance worker & artist
4. Managerial position
5. Professional or technical
6. Clerical and related work
7. Sales / service / manual labor
8. Other; be specific ()

(5) Which one of the following categories best describes your occupation?

1. Self-employed or family business
2. Regular, full-time employee (salaried)
3. Contract worker, dispatched worker (salaried)
4. Part-time worker, side job worker (salaried)

[For all respondents]

F6. Information about the Head of the Household (the primary earner): Are you the head of your family's household?

1. Yes (proceed to F7)
2. No (proceed to F6-(1))

(1) What is the current employment status of the head of your household?

1. Employed (proceed to F6(2))
2. Self-employed (proceed to F6(2))
3. Work in a family business (proceed to F6(2))
4. Student (proceed to F7)
5. Housewife (proceed to F7)
6. Unemployed (proceed to F7)
7. Other () (proceed to F7)

[To respondents whose answer was 1~3 in F6(1)]

(2) Number of people at his/her workplace: Including the various branches and business offices, how many people in total work at the company/store in which this person is employed? If he/she is a civil-employee, please answer "6", "Civil Servant".

1. 1-4 people
2. 5-29 people
3. 30-299 people

4. 300-999 people
5. Over 1,000 people
6. Civil Servant

(3) Which one of the following best describes his/her field of occupation?

1. Agriculture, forestry, and fishery
2. Mining
3. Construction
4. Manufacturing
5. Electricity, gas, water
6. Transportation and telecommunication
7. Wholesale, retail, and restaurant
8. Finance and insurance
9. Real estate
10. Service
11. Public servant
12. Other; be specific ()

(4) What kind of things does he/she usually do at work?

1. Farm, forest or fishery worker
2. Commercial / industrial service
3. Free-lance worker & artist
4. Managerial position
5. Professional or technical
6. Clerical and related work
7. Sales / service / manual labor
8. Other; be specific ()

(5) Which one of the following categories best describes his/her occupation?

1. Self-employed or family business
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[For all respondents]

F7. Type of Residence: What type of residence do you live in?

1. Own a house
2. Own a condominium or apartment
3. Rent a privately-owned house
4. Rent a privately-owned apartment
5. Rent a publicly-owned apartment
6. Rent a company-owned house or apartment
7. Live at place of work or dormitory
8. Other ()

F8. Household income: What was your family's income, before taxes, during the last year (January to December)?

1. Less than 2 million yen
2. G. E. 2 ~ L. T. 3 million
3. G. E. 3 ~ L. T. 4 million
4. G. E. 4 ~ L. T. 5 million
5. G. E. 5 ~ L. T. 6 million

